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**Verl and Dorothy Miller Native American Vocational Scholarship Application**

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| **Eligibility Requirements** | For Native American/American Indian students.  Planning to attend or attending an educational institution in Oregon. Planning to pursue or pursuing a trade or vocational study.  Recipients may be attending school either full time or part time.  Note: Graduate students are not eligible. | | |
| **Award Information** | Award amount varies.  Prior recipients must reapply to renew their scholarship.  Renewal is possible for up to four years. | | |
| **Due Date for Application Submission** | March 1 | **Today’s Date** |  |

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| **Student Name** | **Last Name** | | | | **First Name** | | **Middle Initial** |
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| **Tribal Affiliation** | | |  | | | | |
| **Student Mailing Address** | |  | | | | | |
| **Student Email Address** | |  | | | | | |
| **Student Home Phone** | |  | | **Student Cell Phone** | |  | |

**School Information**

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| **Name and City/State of High School Attended** | |  | | |
| **College, University, or Educational Program You Plan to Attend** | |  | | |
| **Mailing Address of Institution** | |  | | |
| **Intended Major** | |  | | |
| **Intended Profession or Career** | |  | | |
| **Student ID (at college), if known** | |  | | |
| **Year in College Next Year (freshman, sophomore, etc.)** |  | | **Estimated Cost of Attendance Next Year (tuition, fees, books, housing, etc.)** |  |

**Activities Chart**

*Please list below the activities in which you have participated. Start with most recent activities and list in reverse chronological order. Add or delete rows as needed.*

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| **Type of Activity** | | **Dates From-To** | **Time Spent** | | **Responsibilities / Accomplishments** |
| Hours per Month or Week | Total  Hours |
| School/Family/Community Activities: | | | | | |
| (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (3) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Volunteer Service: | | | | | |
| (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (3) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Work for Pay: | | | | | |
| (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
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**Achievements and Honors List**

*Please detail below notable achievements, accomplishments, honors or awards related to academics or leadership. Start with most recent first and list in reverse chronological order. Add or delete rows as needed.*

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|  | **Date** | **Achievement / Honor** |
| **(1)** |  |  |
| **(2)** |  |  |
| **(3)** |  |  |
| **(4)** |  |  |

**Financial Status**

*Please list below a summary of your financial status.*

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| **For which calendar year is this summary?** | |  | |
| **Family Assets** | | Total balance in cash, savings and checking: | | $ | |
| Net worth (value minus debt) of investments, including real estate: | | $ | |
| **Total Assets:** | | **$** | |
| **Family Gross Income** | | Father: | | $ | |
| Mother: | | $ | |
| Student: | | $ | |
| **Total Income:** | | **$** | |
| **Number of households supported by gross income:** | | | |  | |
| **Number of dependents supported by gross income:** | | | |  | |
| **Number of siblings attending college next year:** | | | |  | |
| **Did you complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?**  **If so, please answer the questions to the right.** | | What is your Expected Family Contribution (EFC)? | | $ | |
| Are you eligible for a Pell Grant? | |  | |
| Are you eligible for an Oregon Opportunity Grant? | |  | |
| **You may use the space below to describe your family’s financial situation if you wish, but please do not exceed the space provided.** | | | |
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**Demographic Information**

*Please check the boxes.*

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| **Date of Birth[[1]](#footnote-1)** |  | **Gender1** | Female  Male  Trans Female/Trans Woman  Trans Male/Trans Man  Non-binary/Genderqueer/Gender non-conforming  Different Identity: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Choose Not to Say | |
| **Ethnicity1** | Choose more than one, if applicable.  White  Hispanic  Asian  American Indian or Alaska Native | | | Black or African-American  Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander  Other  Choose Not to Say |
| **Family Education History1** | Highest school your father completed  Elementary School  Middle School  High School  College or Beyond  Don’t Know | | | Highest school your mother completed  Elementary School  Middle School  High School  College or Beyond  Don’t Know |

**Personal Statements**

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| **On a separate sheet of paper, please write five short essays addressing the following topics. Identify your essays by number or begin each with the essay topic, so that we know which essay is connected with each topic. The essays must be a maximum of 150 words each, in 10- to 12-point Times New Roman font.** |
| 1. What are your specific educational plans and career goals and why? What inspires you to achieve them? |
| 1. What have you done for your family or community that you care about the most and why? |
| 1. Describe a personal accomplishment and the strengths and skills you used to achieve it. |
| 1. Describe a significant change or experience that has occurred in your life. How did you respond and what did you learn about yourself? |
| 1. How do you view your cultural heritage and its importance to you? |

**Requirements for Submission**

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| **A complete application packet must include the following, please check the box to confirm you have included each piece.** | |
|  | Complete Application form |
|  | Personal Statements |
|  | Unofficial School Transcript(s) (However, we reserve the right to request Official Transcripts) |
|  | Certification of tribal enrollment, descendancy or American Indian ancestry is required. Applications will not be considered without it. Please include with this application packet is ONE of the following:   1. a copy of your tribal enrollment card OR 2. a Johnson O’Malley student eligibility form OR 3. a letter from your tribe stating blood quantum and/or enrollment number of parent or grandparent or other descendancy paperwork |

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| **By signing this form, I, the applicant, certify the accuracy of the information I have provided.  Also, I authorize (1) OCF to share this information with scholarship staff, donors and selection committee members and (2) OCF or scholarship selection committee members to contact school officials for additional information, if needed.** | |
| Applicant Signature and Date |  |
| Publicity release: If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release. | |

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| Please Submit Application Packet to: |
| Oleya Pearsall  The Oregon Community Foundation  1221 SW Yamhill St. Ste. 100  Portland, OR 97205  503.552.3515  [opearsall@oregoncf.org](mailto:opearsall@oregoncf.org) |

**Scholarship Information**

The Verl and Dorothy Miller Scholarship was established in 2002, to award vocational scholarships to Native American residents of Oregon, for use in the pursuit of vocational education or training at an accredited institution in Oregon.

The scholarship is awarded on the basis of the following:

* Financial need
* Aptitude for a particular trade or vocation
* Personal qualities, including strong work ethic, dependability, stability, good moral character and responsibility
* Participation in school or community activities
* Academic promise

1. The demographic information is being collected to analyze aggregate data on students who apply and receive scholarships from OCF. This information will be kept confidential and will not be used to influence scholarship award decisions. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)